

### House of Representatives

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House Bill No. 5613

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The Committee on Judiciary reported through REP. LAWLOR of the 99<sup>th</sup> Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

# An Act Concerning The Storage Of Weapons By The Department Of Correction.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 18-81i of the general statutes is repealed and the following is
- 2 substituted in lieu thereof:
- 3 Any firearm, ammunition or deadly weapon owned by the
- 4 Department of Correction shall [only] be stored in a secure location.
- 5 [on the grounds of a correctional facility with a security rating of level
- 6 three or higher.]

JUD Committee Vote: Yea 39 Nay 0 JF

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#### **OFA Fiscal Note**

State Impact: None

**Affected Agencies:** Department of Correction

Municipal Impact: None

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#### **OLR Bill Analysis**

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## AN ACT CONCERNING THE STORAGE OF WEAPONS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION.

#### **SUMMARY:**

This bill allows the Department of Correction (DOC) to store deadly weapons (1) in correctional facilities with security ratings below three and (2) in non-DOC facilities. Currently, such weapons can only be stored on the grounds of a DOC correctional facility with a security rating of level three or above. Wherever the weapons are stored, they would still have to be kept in a "secure location." Correctional facilities have security level ratings from one to five, with five being the most secure and one the least secure.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2000

#### **COMMITTEE ACTION**

**Judiciary Committee** 

Joint Favorable Report Yea 39 Nay 0